

Free Press.

SAN MARCOS, TEXAS.
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HOME NEWS.

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ARRIVAL OF PASSENGER TRAINS.

TRAINS PASS SAN MARCOS AS FOLLOWS:
I. & G. N.
MAIL.
Going North: 8:20 A. M. and 6:45 P. M.
Going South: 9:00 A. M. and 8:35 P. M.
T. B. & H.
Leaves San Marcos 9:10 a. m. and 8:45 p. m.
Arrives 8:00 a. m. and 6:25 p. m.
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C. COLLINS, Agent.

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Price W. F. Coppie's sugar.

For PICKLES:—Mixed spices of very fine flavor for pickles. RAYMONDS & DANIEL.

Fresh butter on ice at W. F. Coppie's.

Ice cream furnished in any quantity at the RED DIAMOND.

Best Rio Coffee, 5lb for \$1 at W. F. Coppie's.

The highest cash market prices paid for oats. Sacks on hand. Wm. GRIFFIN.

Ice cream and cooling drinks of all kinds at the Blue Front, north side of the plaza.

Oil 20 cts. per gallon, at W. F. Coppie's.

For PRESERVES:—"Jackson Spice Co." best spices. RAYMONDS & DANIEL.

White Swan Flour, \$1.40 per sack at W. F. Coppie's.

Geo. W. Knight, Watchmaker and Jeweler, east side Plaza, San Marcos. nv29

Wolf's Jumbo Blacking, best in the market, will not soil linen garments, at McALLISTER'S.

S. D. O'Neal has a grocery store in the new Taylor building and Mrs. Reed, late of the San Marcos Hotel, a restaurant in the same.

Millinery.

Mrs. Richardson is now closing out her handsome stock of summer millinery at greatly reduced prices, and has some decided bargains.

Hardy & Co. are constantly receiving fresh goods in their line and are prepared to give bargains in groceries for the cash. They make a specialty of picnic goods, California fruits in variety, etc.

Wm. Griffin reports the sale of several portable mills and evaporators, and still takes orders for more at low rock prices. He is also agent for the Enterprise windmill of which he has a sample.

The season for the sale of wagons is fast approaching and I remind my friends and customers that I have a full supply of the Newton and Jackson wagons on hand which I am authorized to sell at very low prices and on liberal terms. Wm. Griffin.

Ice! Ice! Ice!

The San Marcos Ice Factory is now in successful operation. Daily capacity, 6000 pounds of the purest and best manufactured ice in the state. Bars from 25 to 100 lbs. furnished. Prices moderate.

Tom Cook, Prop.

Honey.

All kinds. Send me your order or leave them with Christian & Wills, my agents, J. M. Kilgore, Proprietor Fossil Hill Apiaries.

Some of the things you will find at H. Hardy & Co's:

Fresh Prunes, Fresh Currants, Fresh Pearl Grapes, Fresh Raisins, the celebrated Princess Tea, Garden Seeds, Onion Sets, Irish Seed Potatoes, Unsprayed Ham, Breakfast Bacon, and in fact everything in the way of Staple and Fancy Groceries at prices as low as the lowest.

Visitors from Abroad and Others Call at the

RED DIAMOND

Ice Cream Parlor.

East Side Public Square.

For Sale.

A farm of forty-seven acres, sixteen acres irrigated, ten acres in ribbon cane, two some of dwellings about two hundred yards apart and other out buildings. A hydraulic ram that supplies the dwelling with water thence to a reservoir and a trough for stock, a fish pond with German carp, the water works and irrigation are from a spring that stands the test of the dryest season. A good bearing orchard of peaches, pears, apples, plums, cherries, figs, grapes; this property fronts the Blanco river near town. I would take half in San Marcos city property if in a desirable location, or one half down, balance on time to suit purchaser. The above property is one of the finest places in Texas for the nursery business. For further information address

THOS. B. FORD,
Jan 20th Blanco, Blanco Co., Tex.

Don't forget that the FREE PRESS office has much the best facilities of all kinds for doing any sort of job printing. All work done promptly, in the best style and at reasonable rates.

Patents Granted.

To citizens of Texas during the past week and reported for this paper by C. A. Snow & Co., patent lawyers, opposite U. S. Patent office, Washington, D. C.

S. H. Preston, Baird, Tex.

J. E. Gaston, Fort Worth, Tex.

J. C. Mallison, Breunham, corn and cotton planter combined.

L. Beverdort, Jr., Luling, animal trap.

LOCAL BRIEFS.

Very cheap—melons.
Dull times in town.
Make hay while the sun shines.
The gardens again need rain.

Sheriff Wren announces for re-election this week. He makes a good officer.

See card of the new management of the San Marcos Hotel.

T. J. Peal announces as a candidate for District Clerk. A worthy and competent man.

"Dr. Flat" shall have a hearing. We have been crowded and knew his letter would not spoil.

It now transpires that neither General Plank nor Miss Willard will be present at the present session of our Chautauqua.

Our Chautauqua starts on the last half of its course with moonlight nights, which will add much to the interest.

They not only talked of, but had a deep water convention at Kyle, and appointed delegates to Fort Worth. Kyle is not often caught napping.

Yesterday was Texas day on the Hill. An address by Senator Chas. Gilson was delivered at 11 o'clock, and an entertainment by the Normal School was had at night. A good day.

Elsewhere we publish the announcement of T. J. McQuay for commissioner, precinct no. 1. He has held this position before, and our people know him. We have always found him square and prompt.

Connection:—A hasty glance at a card in the Statesman misled us into stating that Dr. Leide had entered into a partnership with Dr. Denton. We learn since from Dr. L. and otherwise that he is only occupying a portion of Dr. D's office.

How the Assembly visitor of next year would wonder at a hundred acre park, with \$10,000 or \$12,000 improvements in the way of hotels, cottages, schools, etc. The thing is almost a certainty.

We clip the above from the Chautauquan. Just the thing both for the Chautauqua and the city.

The favor of "Max" is welcome. While fully in accord with the work of the Normal school and of the Assembly generally, our business forbids our attending in person, and we have no reporter. So we shall be glad to receive favors similar to that of Max from all the various departments on the Hill.

There is a dangerous poetical fallacy about the fitness of the waters of the San Marcos for bathing purposes. The fact is, the water is too cold to make it safe for any but the most robust to bathe therein, and they should exercise the utmost caution. Sickness and death have been the result of incautious bathing in our river.

Secretary Garrett has favored us with the proceedings of the latest meeting of the Farmers' Alliance, held recently at Wimberly. They came too late for this issue, but we shall make use of them in our next. J. R. Burleson was re-elected president for another year, Dr. J. G. Barbee, vice-president and Wm. Garrett, secretary.

The New York Ledger is offering \$1,500 in cash premiums of \$500 to \$50 to persons sending it the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th largest lists of subscribers between this time and Oct. 1st. The Ledger has also changed its old plan of dating its issues two weeks ahead. It is now dated the day of its issue.

Prof. J. E. Pritchett requests us to ask our people to visit the cemetery and see what has been done in the way of cleaning up the grounds. Also to call and pay up their subscriptions, so as to enable the committee to proceed with further needed improvements.

He informs us that the colored people have agreed to set a day and extend the work to their part of the grounds.

That was a happy thought of one of our butchers, since adopted by the rest, to furnish our people barbecued meats. It helps the butchers also to sell all the meats, but aside from that consideration, now that they have started, they ought once in awhile to give us some of the best going in the same style. People should no longer be required to wait for barbecues in order to enjoy barbecued meats. 'Tis, in fact, the only way meats should be cooked, and the "noble red man" has thus far enjoyed a great blessing over the pale-faced tribes. Let us at last have a share of the good things.

Visitors to our Chautauqua are hereby invited to call and make the acquaintance of the old reliable SAN MARCOS FREE PRESS, now in its fifteenth year. Always outspoken and progressive. Office in Wood's building, up stairs.

To the Public.

The Star-Vindicator has the largest bona fide circulation of any newspaper published in Hays Co., as can be shown at any time by examining our subscription books.—Kyle Star.

The above is decidedly "fishy."

Hays County Farmers' Alliance.

A public barbecue will be held at Buda on Wednesday, August 1st, to which all are cordially invited. A special invitation is extended to all members of the F. A. in adjoining counties. J. R. BURLESON, President.

W. GARNETT, Secretary.

The Woman's Magazine.

We take pleasure in acknowledging late numbers of this excellent work, published at Brattleboro, Vermont, by Frank E. Hough & Co., Esther T. Hough, editor, at only \$1 a year. A really good and handsome original magazine. We notice the name of Mrs. Pennell, of Hays Co., Texas, well known in connection with our Chautauqua, among the contributors.

Get rid of that tired feeling as quick as possible. Take Hood's Sarsaparilla, which gives strength, a good appetite and health.

Martindale Precinct Convention.

A Democratic convention was called to order at Martindale, Caldwell county, by the chairman R. S. Ross. J. B. Standifer was elected as temporary chairman and J. S. Reed secretary.

The following resolutions were adopted: Resolved, 1st, That any person or persons sitting in this convention, and not intending to support the nominees of the democratic convention will please take no part in this convention.

Resolved, 2nd, That this convention endorse the national democratic convention.

Resolved, 3rd, That this convention endorse the administration of Gov. Ross.

Moved and adopted that this convention recommend Gen. H. E. McCullough for state treasurer.

Moved and adopted that this convention recommend Capt. Walsh for land commissioner.

Moved and adopted that this convention send eight delegates to the county convention, and the following names were nominated:—J. H. Jennings, Z. T. Clift, F. M. Cook, C. T. Schawe, A. Reed, Chairman Standifer and Secretary Reed.

Moved and adopted that the delegates be instructed for J. L. Ellison and George T. McGhee for Representatives.

Moved and adopted that the delegates vote as a unit.

Moved and adopted that one copy of these proceedings be furnished the San Marcos Free Press, and one copy to the Luling Signal for publication.

J. S. REED, I. B. STANDIFER,
Secretary. Chairman.

Martindale, Tex., July 14, 1888.

Personal.

Ab Reed is again on the sick list.

Miss Nellie Turner is visiting at this place.

Mrs. Hook returned last week from a pleasant visit to Missouri.

Miss Carson, of the Blanco High School, is visiting our Chautauqua.

Miss Bridges, daughter of the editor of the Luling Signal, is among our Chautauqua visitors.

A brother of J. S. Kellam, from Salado, returned home from a visit to our place last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Holmes, of Seguin, were among the Chautauqua visitors last week.

Mr. Wiggins, druggist, of Lockhart, and Miss Fannie Howard, of this place, were married last week.

Prof. J. A. Thomas, since the recent close of his school on Oyster Creek, is attending the Normal school here.

Prof. Daehder, of Weimar, made us a pleasant call one day last week. He was attending the Normal School.

Judge Wood has the foundations of his new buildings completed. They are of concrete, and of a new style in this place.

Mr. Knowles, of the Dallas Prohibition Advocate, made us a call the other day during our absence. Hope he will call again.

"Squire Coreham has exhibited to us a fully matured open boll of cotton, raised on his farm by L. Luedeman.

Fanny L. Armstrong gave a highly colored picture of San Marcos in the San Antonio Express of yesterday.

We learn that E. S. Mackin is at Taylor, sick. Mayor Hardy has rented his place during the session of the Assembly.

Victor Julian left a week ago for Fort Worth and Dallas, intending to remain at one of those places if a suitable engagement should offer.

J. E. Morris recently returned from a pleasant visit to Old Virginia, during which, at a college commencement, he was favored to see President Cleveland.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Davis and their interesting daughter, little Miss Winnie, with Miss Mary Laid, made the FREE PRESS a pleasant call last week.

Philosopher Vogelsang is ready to lecture before the Normal school, or Assembly, or to engage any of the members in controversy as to his philosophical views.

Prof. Williams has again laid us under obligations for a present of fine vegetables of his growing. This time it consisted of tomatoes, "Livingstone Beauty."

C. H. Ran has been brought home from Buda, but still lies in a precarious state from the effects of the murderous attack recently made upon him at that place.

Our friend John L. Malone has just returned from a visit to Lampasas Springs, and brought us a circular setting forth the merits of one of them especially, known as "The Hanna Spring."

The Kyle Star reports that J. B. Kinkaid planted one-half of an acre and gathered over forty-five bushels of potatoes. This would be about three hundred and sixty bushels to the acre, and is good enough for any country.

We met Z. I. Williams, of Dripping Springs, here on yesterday. He came down to visit his father-in-law, H. P. Fuller, down the river, who is sick. Prof. J. E. Cook, of D. S., also came down and was so pleased with our Chautauqua that he proposes to stay and take it in to the close.

We received yesterday a postal card from Prof. Edgar, whom most of our readers know. It bears date, "La Luz, Don Ana Co., New Mexico, July 8th." We had not heard from the old Professor for so long we scarcely supposed he was yet in the land of the living.

Rather oddly we failed to mention in our last a call from Judge White of the Court of Appeals. He is a plain, unassuming gentleman, but stands first-class as respects judicial ability, although of course his decisions have been sharply criticized. He is a candidate for re-election.

From recent indications we infer that "the boys" are again destined to be in the ascendant in San Marcos. Messrs. J. G. Burleson, Ed. Christian and W. T. Jackson have each been carried away with elation at the advent of a boy in their respective houses, to whom we are pleased to add a triumph in the same line of our venerable friend and brother, Mr. T. R. Fourqurean. All happy and doing as well as could be expected. Success to "the boys," old and young.

We called to see Mr. Young recently and found him in a comfortable and hopeful condition. It seems pretty clear that he has not and never has had consumption, but only a bad case of catarrh; and that under certain favorable conditions he may be restored to health. He has made a brave fight for life, and shown that "knowledge is power," even to a very sick man. But for this and his special advantages as to nursing, treatment, etc., which he fully and feelingly appreciates, he would most likely have been in his grave long since.

Lawhon & Bass, Druggists.

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We now have an experienced job-printer regularly engaged. All work promptly and satisfactorily done. Leave your orders at the FREE PRESS office.

Dripping Springs.

We little thought as we enjoyed our dance at the residence of Mr. H. O. Duran, on the night of the 6th of July, that we should be attending the wedding of Miss Selie Riley and Mr. John Smith in the same house a week later, but it was even so, and the number of guests was doubled on the latter occasion. We thought the number about one hundred, and noticed among the guests Mrs. Chapman and her two pretty daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Graham, whose lovely daughter, Miss Dillie Graham, was the bride's maid, Dr. Pound and his charming daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Gilpin and Mrs. T. Gilpin, Mr. and Mrs. Puckett with her mother Mrs. More, at present visiting her, Mr. and Mrs. Walter McKellar and Mrs. J. Sorrel, now visiting them Mr. and Mrs. Spaw and young daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Phillips, Mr. A. I. Davis, whose wife is at her mother's on a visit, Miss Katie Howard with her visitors, the Misses Davis, from Austin, also another young lady whose name we were not so fortunate as to hear, Miss Estelle McKellar, one of our belles, Mrs. Hartwig and family, the Misses Crow, Mr. Joe Williams and his agreeable sisters, the Misses Williams, Messrs. Jim Roe, L. V. Davis, Herbert Howard, Jim Howard and many I did not see, or know besides.

The bride looked beautiful and her gallant husband was all gayety and smiles as the friends crowded around with hearty congratulations. He should certainly be a happy man, having secured a most capable, as well as a good and pretty wife. However, things seemed pretty equal, and we believe he deserved his good fortune. Miss Riley is the daughter of one of our oldest residents here. Her mother, Mrs. Warren Collins, left this country some time ago for New Mexico. Her daughter has been residing with her friends Mr. and Mrs. Duran whom she now has left for her own home on Onion Creek, where her husband is farming with Mr. McKellar.

The bride and bridesmaid wore white embroidered dresses and white flowers and gloves.

Mr. Will Spaw was the "best" man and escorted the vivacious Miss Graham.

Refreshments were served shortly after the wedding, which was solemnized by the Rev. Mr. Bell, who came with his daughter. The reverend gentleman also received many congratulations upon his being the fortunate possessor of an infant girl nearly two weeks old, I am told.

After the wedding and reception was over the dancers among the guests were invited to a dance at Mr. Hartwig's, whose two daughters, Misses Louisa and Tina, were at the wedding. Messrs. Short and Hamilton accompanied this party to assist Mr. McKellar in his efforts to make all have a good time, which they certainly did, and the music was splendid.

The remaining wedding guests entertained themselves by music and singing and broke up at about eleven o'clock. But we are inclined to dwell too long upon weddings and parties, and must hasten to narrate other events of interest here and close.

The heat has been intense and the drought increasing. We only heard of one case of sunstroke, which Dr. Pound relieved with his usual promptitude and success.

The doctors have been very busy. So many families have been prostrated by sudden illness—a most uncommon thing in these parts, Mr. Jim Livingston's family have suffered greatly. His wife, daughter and little son being down all at once. Mr. Edwards, his wife and Jack Edwards, his youngest son, were similarly attacked. However all are improving now and bid fair to get about in a few days.

May, Wallace and his wife returned home to-day.

Fodder is burning faster than it can be gathered. Corn ready to grind.

There was a party last night at Mr. Roberts, but of which we did not hear particulars. Us Am.

Normal Notes.

For the FREE PRESS:

This week has been one of much interest. History, Philosophy, Physiology, Algebra, Geometry, English Literature, Geography and primary work have all been well considered and much talked about. If the plan of work in this school was formulated by Professor Bryant, he is evidently the right man in the right place. The school is not a frozen rehearsal of half dead formalities, but it enters at once into the subjects to be taught and opens up to the teacher new, practical and pleasant fields.

Prof. Bryant's modest and unassuming manner has won all. When one thinks of the egotism we have had to endure in some of our previous Summer Normals, we can but fully appreciate this.

Prof. A. A. Thomas has been at his post well prepared with each subject under his management. It makes one who has only a smattering feel very blue to see him get up and clear up every problem from beginning to end.

If the patience and care of Prof. Williams, the fine controlling power of Miss Harrison, the energy of Miss Cotton, the interrogative ability of Miss Kendrick and the modesty and learning of Prof. Standfield could all be combined in one teacher he would never have to hunt positions.

The lectures of Prof. H. C. Pritchett on Astronomy and methods of teaching have been of special interest. Let us shake hands with you, Prof., in commendation of your method of examining pupils. Yours, in our humble judgment, is the only way of ascertaining, with any degree of accuracy, the real attainments of the pupil. If we were asked to select a first class fraud, we would just take a set examination at the close of a term. Happy and successful is that teacher who keeps his or her results under their eyes each week.

Among the interesting things of the week was Miss Cotton's essay on mixed schools. Miss C. wants mixed schools, mixed playgrounds, mixed everything. Miss C. only has the ideal boy and girl in her pure mind and not the real, as they appear in nine-tenths of our schools. We must beg to differ from Miss C. on this point, and say if they are mixed at all in our common schools, it must be done very carefully and very gradually. This discussion reminded us of the old man we heard criticize a preacher. He said the preacher preached a big test, but never "took" his "armour."

Our English Literature under the management of Miss Harrison, of Greenville, is

not only a new phase of summer normal work but is of special interest. Apt, quick and sharp would be the words for Miss H's questions. As Webster could quiet a large audience by simply saying, "Gentlemen of the Jury," just so Miss Harrison's inimitable "Children, come to order," softens all tempers, quiets all noise and opens all mouths. Many are born to scold, but few to control.

Superintendent Cooper has placed the standard for a certificate at 90 per cent average. While many of us know the demands are unreasonable, yet all will join in hearty commendation of Mr. Cooper's efforts to raise the grade of scholarship among our teachers. This cannot be done in a year. If Supt. Cooper can raise the grade to his idea in twenty-five years, he will do a great work. We confidently believe this new phase of things is going to bring about at least two evil results. The first, it will injure our state normal school just at a time when its good work is being felt and utilized in all parts of the state. The second is, it will have a tendency to drive our best teachers from the field. The reasons of those results are so clear they need not be stated.

Prof. Cody, of Georgetown, is with us, and will deliver several lectures.

We took the last long look at one of our brightest faces yesterday. Miss Davidson is sadly missed.

Yours &c., Max.

Tribute of Respect.

Whereas, on the 7th day of June, 1888, our worthy and esteemed brother, William H. Heiskell, was instantly killed by lightning; therefore be it

Resolved, That we deeply deplore the event by which our brother lost his life.

Resolved, That we tender his grief-stricken family our tenderest love and most profound sympathy in their great bereavement, and earnestly invoke the blessings of Almighty God to rest upon them.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be handed to his family, a copy furnished to the county papers, and to the Southern Mercury for publication.

E. H. PATTERSON,
M. S. WARD,
J. L. ANDREWS, Committee.

Science Hall Alliance, No. 2385, June 18th, 1888.

IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

The new English rifle, the Lee-Burton, is pronounced on trial as "unsatisfactory."

Aubertin, the man who shot Jules Ferry, has been declared insane and put in an asylum.

A new steamer, the Empress, on the Dover-Calais route, is expected to cross the channel in fifty minutes.

Experiments at Cape Town in signaling with electric light reflected from the clouds were a complete success. Experiments were also made with a vessel at sea, with the result of flashing a signal fifty miles away.

A cobra bite has been cured. Dr. Sienaras, as reported by The India Daily News, was handling a cobra with the intention of extracting some poison, when he was bitten on the finger. He immediately cut it open to the bone above the wound, and applied permanent cautery of potash, put on a ligature and hurried off for advice. Another doctor opened the wound and cauterized it with nitric acid, and Dr. Richards has recovered.

Bill.

Al! Life's not worth living, he sighed,
And death will be welcome; he will
Wife, send for the doctor, he cried,
And tell him to hurry; he will die.

—Boston Courier.

No Universal Remedy

has yet been discovered; but, as at least four-fifths of human diseases have their source in Impure Blood, a medicine which restores that fluid from a depraved to a healthy condition comes as near being a universal cure as any that can be produced. Ayer's Sarsaparilla affects the blood in each stage of its formation, and is, therefore, adapted to a greater variety of complaints than any other known medicine.

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Mr. C. K. Murray, of Charlottesville, Va., writes that for years he was afflicted with boils which caused him much suffering. These were succeeded by carbuncles, of which he had several at one time. He then began the use of Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and after taking three bottles, the carbuncles disappeared, and for six years he has not had even a pimple.

That insidious disease, Scrofula, is the fruitful cause of innumerable complaints. Consumption being only one of many equally fatal. Eruptions, ulcers, sore eyes, glandular swellings, weak and wasted muscles, a nervous, unsteady appetite, and the like, are pretty sure indications of a scrofulous taint in the system. Many otherwise beautiful faces are disfigured by pimples, eruptions, and unsightly blotches, which arise from impure blood, showing the need of Ayer's Sarsaparilla to remedy the evil.

All sufferers from blood disorders should give Ayer's Sarsaparilla a fair trial, avoiding all powders, ointments, and washes, and especially cheap and worthless compounds, which not only fail to effect a cure, but more frequently aggravate and confirm the diseases they are fraudulently advertised to remedy.

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Nothing relieves a Headache so promptly as Collins' Acue Cure. It cleanses the stomach, promotes action of the liver, and purifies the blood, aiding you to perfect health.

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A few doses of Collins' Acue Cure will quickly break up the worst case of Malarial Fever. No other remedy possesses the power of so completely eradicating Malaria from the system. CHILLS and FEVER yield at once to its influence, and the cure is permanent.